

Table 1.6. States That Require Senior High Schools to Teach Health Topics, by Topic¹

	Accident ² or Injury Prevention	Alcohol or Other Drug Use Prevention	Consumer Health	CPR	Death and Dying	Dental and Oral Health	Emotional and Mental Health	Environmental Health	First Aid	Growth and Development	HIV Prevention	Human Sexuality	Immunizations or Vaccinations	Nutrition and Dietary Behavior	Personal Hygiene	Physical Activity and Fitness	Pregnancy Prevention	STD Prevention	Suicide Prevention	Sun Safety or Skin Cancer Prevention	Tobacco Use Prevention	Violence Prevention
Alabama	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●
Alaska	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Arizona	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Arkansas	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
California	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●
Colorado	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Connecticut	●	●	●	○	○	○	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	●	○	●	●
Delaware	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
District of Columbia	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Florida	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	○
Georgia	○	●	●	●	○	○	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Hawaii	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○
Idaho	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Illinois	●	●	○	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●
Indiana	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Iowa	○	●	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	○
Kansas	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Kentucky	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Louisiana	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Maine	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○
Maryland	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Massachusetts	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Michigan	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	○
Minnesota	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●
Mississippi	?	●	●	?	?	●	●	●	?	●	●	?	●	●	●	●	●	●	?	?	●	●
Missouri	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Montana	●	●	●	○	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	●
Nebraska	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Nevada	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
New Hampshire	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	●	●

- Yes
- No
- ? Incomplete Data

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New Jersey	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●
New Mexico	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
New York	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	●
North Carolina	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●
North Dakota	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●
Ohio	○	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	○	●	○	○	●	●
Oklahoma	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●
Oregon	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Pennsylvania	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○
Rhode Island	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
South Carolina	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●
South Dakota	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Tennessee	●	●	●	○	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●
Texas	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Utah	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Vermont	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	○
Virginia	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●
Washington	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	●	○
West Virginia	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Wisconsin	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	○
Wyoming	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○

¹"Has your state adopted a policy stating that senior high schools will teach each of the following health topics: (a) personal hygiene, (b) dental and oral health, (c) nutrition and dietary behavior, (d) physical activity and fitness—classroom instruction, not a physical activity period, (e) growth and development, (f) human sexuality, (g) pregnancy prevention, (h) HIV prevention, (i) STD prevention, (j) emotional and mental health, (k) suicide prevention, (l) death and dying, (m) tobacco use prevention, (n) alcohol or other drug use prevention, (o) violence prevention, for example bullying, fighting, or homicide, (p) accident or injury prevention, (q) CPR, (r) first aid, (s) immunizations or vaccinations, (t) sun safety or skin cancer prevention, (u) consumer health, such as choosing sources of health-related information, products, and services wisely, or (v) environmental health, such as how air and water quality can affect health?" (State Health Education Questionnaire, Items 19a-v)

²Although the SHPPS 2000 questionnaires used the word "accident" because it is familiar to many people, public health officials prefer the word "injury" because it connotes the medical consequences of events that are both predictable and preventable.